

# **Tropical Storm Isaac Advisory #1**

## **Broward Businesses Advised to Review Hurricane Continuity Preparedness Plans**

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Broward County Emergency Management officials are closely monitoring Tropical Storm Isaac which has potential to impact South Florida. "Although there is no imminent threat to Broward County at this time, there is potential for rapid change in conditions," said Chuck Lanza, director of Broward County Emergency Management. "We are closely monitoring the situation."

At this time, Lanza said, residents and businesses should ensure their hurricane plans, hurricane supplies and evacuation plans are in order. Residents should remain vigilant and monitor the media for announcements from the Broward County Emergency Operations Center for protective actions to be taken should Tropical Storm Isaac threaten Broward County.

### **Recommended Preparedness Activities**

- Call the Broward County Call Center at 311 in Broward or 954-831-4000 for information on hurricane preparedness, Monday through Friday, from 8:30 a.m. to 5 p.m. If the Broward County Emergency Operations Center is activated, 311 becomes a 24/7 Hurricane Hotline.
- Determine if you live in an [evacuation zone](#) and if so, where you will evacuate if an evacuation order is given. Going to stay with family or friends outside the evacuation zone is the best choice since [shelters](#) only provide for basic needs.
- Check your [hurricane kit](#) supplies. You should have sufficient food, water and other supplies to sustain yourself and your family for three to five days. Include any special items needed for elderly family members, infants, children, and pets.
- Now is the time to verify that your generators and other emergency equipment are operating properly.
- Assess your home for vulnerabilities in the event protective actions are required, but do not trim trees and vegetation at this time.
- Keep gas in your car and have a supply of gas for your generator.
- Have cash on hand in case of power outages.
- Refill important medications.
- If you have travel plans, check with your airline or cruise line for up to date information.

## Stay Informed

Residents and businesses are encouraged to monitor media for up-to-the-minute information and public safety advisories. There are a number of ways to “stay connected” and receive important information from the Broward County Emergency Operations Center before, during and after an emergency event, including news about hurricane watches and warnings, evacuation orders, recommended protective actions and other related public safety information.

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